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Re: AG/15-04603 (F)
PAO/15-04604 (F)
VRB:LAD:ND

Dear Mr. Morisy:

This is an interim response your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated July 8, 2015, and received in this Office on July 10, 2015, in which you requested communications between the Department and former Attorney General Eric Holder, as well as documents created as Department talking points or press material created in connection with former Attorney General Holder's remarks concerning Edward Snowden, since June 20, 2015. This response is made on behalf of the Offices of the Attorney General and Public Affairs.

Please be advised that a search has been conducted in the Office of Public Affairs and no records responsive to your request were located.

We are continuing our search for responsive records for the Office of the Attorney General and will write to you again once our search is completed and disclosure determinations are made, should responsive records be located.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. *See* 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2012). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

If you are not satisfied with my response to this request on behalf of the Office of Public Affairs, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal at <https://foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked

or electronically transmitted within 60 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked Freedom of Information Act Appeal.

Sincerely,

 for

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